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FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 8762

INFO AMCONSUL LENINGRAD IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L MOSCOW 7169

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: UR PFOR CPAS CGEN (SULSKIENE, MARIJA)

SUBJECT: SULSKIENE/KUDIRKA CASE

1. BY COB EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NO RPT NO COMMUNICATION FROM MRS. SULSKIENE OR MOSCOW CONTACT KOVALEV ON MAY 14.
2. AT COB MAY 14 EMBASSY SENT FOLLOWING TELEX MESSAGE (IN RUSSIAN LANGUAGE) TO MRS. SULSKIENE CARE OF LOCAL POST OFFICE:
QUOTE PLEASE INFORM THE EMBASSY WHEN YOU PLAN TO VISIT MOSCOW.
IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTY IN TRAVELING TO MOSCOW,
PLEASE TELEPHONE THE EMBASSY AT TELEPHONE 2520013 EXTENSION
230. YOU CAN SPEAK ENGLISH, RUSSIAN, GERMAN OR FRENCH WITH
CONSUL OBER, WILLEMS OR STEINER. AMERICAN CONSULS FROM MOSCOW
AND LENINGRAD PREPARED TO FLY TO VILNIUS AND MEET YOU THERE
AT SUITABLE LOCATION IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO COME TO MOSCOW.
PLEASE INDICATE YOUR WISHES IN THIS REGARD. UNQUOTE
3. JUST BEFORE COB MAY 14 AP BUREAU CHIEF MASON TELEPHONED
CONSOFF TO SAY HE HAD RECEIVED INDICATION FROM HIS NEW YORK
OFFICE THAT MRS. SULSKIENE HAS AGAIN BEEN PREVENTED FROM
TRAVELING TO MOSCOW ON MAY 13.

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4. IN EVENT EMBASSY RECEIVES NOTIFICATION FROM MRS. SULSKIENE,

HE US CONTACTS OR KOVALEV THAT TRAVEL THIS WEEK TO MOSCOW HAS AGAIN BEEN PREVENTED BY OFFICIAL SOVIET INTERFERENCE, EMBASSY WILL ARRANGE WITH CONGEN FOR EARLIEST DESPATCH OF CONSULAR OFFICER FROM EACH POST TO VILNIUS FOR PURPOSE OF MEETING WITH MRS. SULSKIENE. EMBASSY WOULD HOPE TO ENSURE TRAVEL ON OR BY MAY 16. TRAVEL NOTE WOULD BE SUBMITTED TO MFA NO LATER THAN MAY 15. COPY OF TRAVEL NOTE WOULD BE DELIVERED TO MFA CONSULAR ADMINISTRATION WITH STATEMENT THAT TRAVEL TO VILNIUS IS REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT CONSULAR RESPONSIBILITIES AS DEFINED IN US-SOVIET CONSULAR CONVENTION. AT SAME TIME WE WOULD NOTE THAT REPORTED SOVIET INTERFERENCE WITH MRS. SULSKIENE'S PLANNED VIST TO EMBASSY IS VIOLATION OF ARTICLE 4 AND PRESUMPTIVELY ARTICLE 12. (TECHNICALLY ARTICLE 12 VIOLATION COULD NOT BE DETERMINED UNLESS AND UNTIL MRS. SULSKIENE IS DEEMED "NATIONAL OF SENDING STATE," I. E. US CITIZEN.)
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